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SUBJ: BELT SYSTEM

1. REQUIRE TWELVE EACH, 8 TRACK TAPE CARTRIDGES FOR THE BELT SYSTEM SOONEST. IF POSSIBLE, TAPE SHOULD BE DOUBLE COATED REPEAT DOUBLE COATED ONE OR ONE AND ONE HALF MIL TENSILIZED MYLAR. A CARTRIDGE INCORPORATING A SOLID PLASTIC PRESSURE WHEEL VICE RUBBER WHEEL IS PREFERRED.

2. FYI: THE BELT SYSTEMS ON POST ARE USED EXTENSIVELY (6-8 HOURS DAILY). TWO COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE CARTRIDGES, AKAI AND MEMOREX, ARE CURRENTLY IN USE AND HAVE A LIFE EXPECTANCY OF ONLY ONE MONTH. HEAVY OXIDE FLAKING (TAPE NOT DOUBLE COATED) AND RAPID DETERIORATION OF THE RUBBER (HEAT SENSITIVE) PRESSURE WHEEL ARE THE MOST COMMON PROBLEMS. IF A HEAVY USAGE CARTRIDGE IS SIMPLY NOT MANUFACTURED, THEN IT IS SUGGESTED 3 OR 4 DOZEN STANDARD, PRERECORDED CARTRIDGES BE SUPPLIED.
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